

House Resolution 119 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 119

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1 A Resolution honoring Captain Nicholas Critelli, Jr.,
2 Esq., for his years of service in the United States
3 Coast Guard Auxiliary, Iowa Flotilla.

4 WHEREAS, Captain Nicholas Critelli, Jr., Esq., is a
5 Des Moines native who obtained a law degree from Drake
6 University Law School and has practiced law for more
7 than four decades in Iowa and as an English barrister;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Captain Critelli is a past president of
10 the American Academy of Alternate Dispute Resolution
11 Attorneys, the Iowa State Bar Association, and the Iowa
12 Academy of Trial Lawyers; currently serves as chair of
13 the Ethics and Practice Guidelines Committee of the
14 Iowa State Bar Association; and is a fellow of the
15 American College of Trial Lawyers, the International
16 Society of Barristers, and the American Board of Trial
17 Advocates; and

18 WHEREAS, Captain Critelli is listed as one of the
19 "Best Lawyers in America" by Best Lawyers in America
20 for Business and Commercial Litigation, rated as a
21 "Super Lawyer" by Super Lawyers in Litigation, and
22 is "AV" rated by Martindale Hubbell and Chambers
23 International Law List; and

24 WHEREAS, after visiting an English courtroom in
25 1986, Captain Critelli decided to pursue the five-year
26 process of becoming a barrister including reattending
27 law school, undergoing advocate training, and taking
28 courses from the Inns of Court, City University of

1 London and their tests, and took the bar examination
2 before being called to the Bar; and

3 WHEREAS, after September 11, 2001, Captain Critelli
4 felt the need to give something back to society and
5 volunteered with the Civil Air Patrol; and

6 WHEREAS, in 2008 at the age of 65, Captain Critelli
7 joined the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, a
8 volunteer force that was organized in 1939; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2010, Captain Critelli was awarded the
10 rank of captain; and

11 WHEREAS, in 2018, Captain Critelli was the recipient
12 of the Ten Years of Service Award from the United
13 States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 4; and

14 WHEREAS, both in his public career and private life,
15 Captain Critelli has been a tireless advocate regarding
16 international litigation, domestic and international
17 arbitration and mediation, intellectual property, and
18 computer-assisted litigation; NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
20 the House of Representatives thanks Captain Nicholas
21 Critelli, Jr., Esq., for his service of over a decade
22 in the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, and decades
23 of service to the legal profession, and wishes him and
24 his family the best in the years to come.